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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: ANTARCTIC RESEARCH

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FOR SCIATT

1. DUE TO OPERATIONAL EXIGENCIES WHICH HAVE ARISEN IN U.S. ANTARCTIC PROGRAM, NSF MUST MODIFY PLANS AND PROPOSALS SET FORTH IN REFTEL. FURTHER, NSF HAS NOT, REPEAT NOT, HAD REPLY FROM TRESHNIKOV ON PROPOSALS OUTLINED PARA 3 REFTEL.

2. NSF REQUESTS THAT SCIATT APPROACH EITHER DR. A. F. TRESHNIKOV, HEAD OF ARTIC AND ANTARCTIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE, LENINGRAD, OR HIS DEPUTY YE. S. KOROTKEVICH, TO PASS FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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A. DUE TO SOME CHANGES WHICH HAVE ARISEN IN CONNECTION WITH U.S. ANTARCTIC PROGRAM FOR 1973-74 SEASON, NEITHER PHILIP SMITH NOR DR. H. JAY ZWALLY WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND PLANNED INTERNATIONAL ANTARCTIC GLACIOLOGICAL PROJECT (IAGP) COUNCIL MEETING IN LENINGRAD, SEPTEMBER 26-30, NOR WILL THEY BE ABLE TO ACCEPT SOVIET INVITATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN SYMPOSIUM ON PHYSICAL METHODS OF ICE AND SNOW STUDIES WHICH FOLLOWS, FROM OCTOBER 1-6, IN LENINGRAD

B. DR. CHARLES R. BENTLEY, PROFESSOR OF GEOPHYSICS AND U.S. MEMBER OF IAGP COUNCIL, WILL REPRESENT OFFICE OF POLAR PROGRAMS AND U.S. ANTARCTIC PROGRAM INTERESTS AT BOTH MEETINGS.

IN VIEW ABOVE NSF DESIRES TO DEFER EXCHANGE PROGRAM VISIT PROPOSED TO DR. TRESHNIKOV BY MR. JOSEPH O. FLETCHER, HEAD OF OFFICE OF POLAR PROGRAMS, NSF, IN CABLE SENT ON 23 AUGUST. NSF DESIRES TO COMPLETE ANTARCTIC EXCHANGE VISIT PROGRAM BUT WANTS TO DO SO WHEN IT IS MOST CONVENIENT FOR SOVIETS TO RECEIVE U.S. TEAM OF UP TO THREE PEOPLE. NSF PREFERENCE IS SPRING OF 1974.

3. SCIATT SHOULD EXPRESS NSF REGRET FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY CHANGES IN U.S. PLANS. RUSH

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